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Reply to Office Action

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on 16 Nov 2007. Allowance of the above identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks, where:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.